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PLAIN BUSINESS.

No Democratic newspaper desires other than prosperity and the more of that desired article furnished, the louder the praises of any fair journal which prints the news of the day. It was never a greater error on the part of a public man than perpetrated by Mark Hanna when he started the prosperity equal of 1896. That he had purchased the presidency was trying to conceal the act was the excuse he offered to his critics within the ranks of the Republican party. The wonderful two years when the trust capitalists grabbed all in sight was followed by the patriotic McKinley whose election was purchased rising above the creators of his success and administering government according to the teachings of right and duty.

But elections have little to do with the general prosperity. Those who are favored with special privileges depend, of course, upon the legislation of congress for their best opportunities to despoil honest tradesmen, and they do, by reason of wealth and the stock held in real industrial enterprises, make a fair show of stopping all enterprise when there is an election to be held, but there is no real doubt in the mind of a man of ordinary intelligence that a Democratic president would favor trade as much as a Republican executive or a man of any sort of faith.

The padded law runs which have caused certain followers of the belled ram of political nonsense does not need worry any respectable Democratic newspaper. If times are prosperous and the people are happy and receiving their share of prosperity, it is the duty to set record, and sound the message far and wide.

If the banks break, as many will be forced the stubborn ignorance of the old regime will admit the people have had confidence in the old method of banking. It is the duty of the press to state and state the facts calmly and coldly.

In fact plain business is what the people are entitled to in the narrative of any event. The facts should be so stated no one can misinterpret. The readers understand what conditions are and wish to know the facts. It should be the purpose to state them, and the first indispensable, yet, "you are disturbing business," should be fit between the eyes with sufficient force to remind him he is a body outside, hiding his own empty topknot and by self-deception seeks to deceive those of superior mental attainments.

There was a time when men who thought they had been called to conduct mercantile affairs wished to suppress small post reports. When the entire country was convinced every other man you met in the entire Southwest had small post, they ascertained their blows were erroneous and cause of stopping immigration, hence they changed tactics.

Permit The Leader to assert that no sound doctrine was ever placed behind the screen of concealment and never will be. By that it should not be construed that it is the duty of a newspaper to print all of the rubbish and scandal which is floating about, because duty to its constituents forces it to protect them from being forced to purchase what they have largely heard more of than they find of interest, and because one is concerned to a great extent about the doings of those who are not respectable, but to shame or flout them.

The old custom of putting sensational headlines over trivial items of business adversity, often due to lack of ability upon the failed firm's management, does not belong to a progressive publication's accomplishment, nor do such faults meet a pleasing eye of the newspaper constituency.

The people want the facts. Suppression of the news of commerce is like selling a man a suit of clothes and stripping it of the buttons—he can get new buttons and they will do as well but he paid for the buttons with the clothes and was entitled to the same.

And if the newspapers of the country try to attend to their duties, they to the judgment of fair and sound business doctrine, the old custom of inserting the practical news of a publisher ever reprehensible will soon be extinguished, and the business man, the agriculturist, the skilled and common laborer, the factory manager, will own and the entire basic world supporting commerce will read the same news, the real news, and know that it comes as it occurred without attempt to modify or suppress.

CORPORATION COMMISSION'S SERVICE.

No public official ever has been able to work fast enough to suit the most exacting friend, and none will ever attain that desideratum. Hence there need be no surprise that some criticize the Corporation Commission of Oklahoma, although those of us who understand the work done, and the wonderful amount that was required before the commission could even commence to make a showing, marvel at such criticism. A correspondent in a recent issue of The Leader asked why rates on certain commodities of commerce were not yet such that reduction "as now in force and effect, but, while the correspondent intended no criticism in his query, such might be inferred by the careless reader.

Less than two months ago The Leader printed a page of rates, comparing them with the rates charged before the Corporation Commission came into being, and the same net the approbation of almost all the people of our state. The commission had made the rates uniform; prohibited excessive charges for short hauls or long ones, making the roads fair freight and passengers at a fair rate to both parties concerned.

The rate on farm products was given attention first because the old rate was so unfair some changes were forced by exigencies.

The commission has handled thousands of matters apparently trivial, yet which the critics forced by taking proper steps to bring before the commission in the prescribed manner. That the commission has been using extraordinary judgment in these matters is attested by the few appeals to the courts from its rulings and findings.

When the coal rate question was first considered testimony was secured and the coal trust made a splendid effort to perpetuate the fat rate then in force, and, laboring to settle the little question which were forced upon them, the Corporation Commission members went right along adjusting, taking testimony, securing the statements of rate experts, with their own men getting all statistics, applications, protests, etc., in addition for the service to the people who chose them by their votes to accomplish these very things.

It would be impossible for any set of officials to accomplish more than that the Corporation Commission in the same length of time.

Moreover, the work finished has been complete, fair, producing neither friction or distrust.

It has placed the rates in Oklahoma on a fair basis, and one which enables all interested parties to live safely in the conduct of affairs, be they private citizens dealing with corporate bodies, or one corporate body dealing with another.

DECEIT IS NOW MANIFEST.

The weakness of any organization is never more fully proven than when the leaders counsel false statement and allow the most zealous zeal to lead in a wrongdoing free access to state any question to any member they please. Right now when the Republican party is worshipping at the shrine of self-deception the people are learning that the campaign of the Republicans stopped not at erroneous stating of questions, but that in more than one instance where error was shown so conclusively it would be ridiculous to further reiterate the original statement, yet no correction was made. Any cause which has to receive the misleading aid of deception very shortly dies. The Republicans have not been regaled with history of the party's principles or what it may owe in the future. The self-censorship for the party in this state is the form of a lawsuit that wounds the pride and flushes the train of opinion with the tell-tale story of being wounded in spirit, but that only adds to the defeat which must come when former deception is become known.

The Republican organization has made many statements on state matters; proven none. Unless it can arrive at some station and advocate something, the party will go the way of any nation too long held up by no affirmation. And already the taxpayers are convinced the Republican statement as to taxes was wrong; knowingly stated to deceive.

ZEALOUS PROHIBITIONISTS.

The ultra-Prohibitionists of Oklahoma have at least achieved their usual results. A zealous is never a very good man to chase after in the arena where the cold, calm sense of the average person is to weigh and make report, and this is especially true of the zealous Prohibitionist. Whether this is due to climatic conditions, or because the zealous abolitionist, as we long have a mere protester and knower, is not to perform what he has but his way, is not too province of The Leader to ascertain.

When statehood Prohibition was announced a winner in 1907 the anti-saloon league, through Chairman Dimm, at once proclaimed they were going to experiment. While many Democrats were opposed to the experimental period as viewed with alarm the position taken by the ultra, still the people had spoken and whoever opposed the league and plans of the ultra was maligned across the state, figuratively speaking; there was a present spirit of waiting for the breeze to blow over. When Senator Billings, a Prohibitionist with some practical ideas, drew a bill that would have proven effective and achieved all asked for, Dimm and Company refused it, and forced the issue squarely. The agency or dispensary proposition followed, and is of such recent history as to require no recapitulation at this moment. It was a bitter dose for many Democrats whose ideas of Prohibition were that it was either good or bad. If the Prohibitionists, argued the Democrats, were in earnest, why fool the game; otherwise, why deal with a question that has overwhelmed every community that has first sought enforcement.

The recent election found these same ultra members of the Prohibition party working with the "Sons of Washington" to defeat the dispensary or agency. The result was never in doubt. Superintendent Loefer so conducted the agency that where it was watched and kept account of, its success was known, and the vote surprised many because of the nearness to success.

The ultra-Prohibitionists are in a rather peculiar position. The people voted them into what they claimed to want; they made a measure and then went out to defeat it, working, perhaps, under the old system of being "again the government."

All this moment, under the vote, we have voted in Prohibition that does not prohibit; and the one institution which was to be of service was born and bred for these same exacting gentlemen, is by the vote of the people gone.

If they can find comfort and are satisfied, the Democrats can join along without trouble.

BUT PRAY, BE SURE OF HIM.

Just now the South is respectful with the advice it should have offered in 1892. The leaders in the Dixie land announce that from this time forward the South is going to write Democratic platforms and have a voice in the will be the candidates for Democracy. There are from one to three millions of Northern Democrats, as is said, willing that this shall be so, but what kind of a candidate and what state is to furnish the man who will have the voice of the South?

Many days, weeks, months, years and decades have gone since Dixie furnished the choice of Democracy for president. In fact the last regularly nominated Southern for the presidency was Taylor, a Whig, Andrew Johnson was a vice-presidential accident, and like the last chosen for president and advanced by tragedy to first place, he proved a sort of bull in the china shop and kept the people in a state of excitement, accomplishing no more than to excite the nervous ones and keep business in a suspense.

Adlai Stevenson was a native Kansan, but has been a resident of Illinois longer than he has of his own life. He is Northern in thought, ideas and by the years of environment.

Many statements are left in the South, and not a few of them would make splendid chief executives, but they are not well known to the general public and would lead from localities where the rivers of prejudice, now almost run dry, might be renewed again and the peace we have prayed for be over for another decade.

Ex-Governor Holt Smith is one Democrat of the South whose fame in national, whose Democracy is unquestionable, whose character is irreproachable, and whose ability shines like the star of the evening in the first dark spot of the heavens. The people of Georgia recognize this, and while the three newspaper competition forced his retirement from the gubernatorial chair with but one term, his standing is of the best, and his wisdom has grown with the years of service which he has given to the science of government; have placed him in an enviable position to command the respect of all men. No other son of Dixie can approach him for general strength or sized purpose.

Ex-Governor Glenn, of North Carolina, is also a man of splendid native ability. Born in the same state and near the same village where Smith first saw the light of day, Glenn has been with rapid strides to the highest place the people of the Old North state had to give to their leaders.

But the governor is handicapped by the short time he has been known to the outside states, and in a convention where the passions of men run high, and where prejudices are ever at work, he would cut a sorry figure. Conventions where the delegates would be instructed if he has even a chance to win the prize, seldom go to men of such limited experience.

There is a change and the sentiment of the people drifts different from the present time, the next candidates of democracy will come from the bird east of the great river and north of its largest eastern tributary. No man knows that that man will be, but that he will be one of the two important states we must carry no one now seriously questions.

However, four years are long years when one grows a boom for the highest office and some man now unknown may lead the party to victory.

ODD OBSERVATIONS.

A Kansas official has declared the San Jose scale must be killed at once. If he can drive the order through and is not overworked, let him take a few whacks at the Texas cattle ticks. Those ticks from Texas do tick toward keeping down the revival fever in Southern Oklahoma as any other one thing. They get across the Red river, make a plunge for a splendid Oklahoma milk cow or her side partner, and the fact that whatever is buried in this state grows, makes more ticks that we ever arranged for, and causes enormous almost too much to prevent sweating and abuse of in-latitude talents. The ticks are always lean and hungry when they escape from Texas, and to see them charge a beifer in an Oklahoma pasture is all the evidence required to prove Oklahoma beef is far superior to the Texas line of the same product. This habit of whatever is placed beneath the ground growing is illustrated by a story which first came to our attention in Oklahoma country. In the early days when the settlers were trying to lease lands of the Indians, a chief was showing a settler what was grown in that section, and the statement that whatever is put under the ground grows in Oklahoma was repeated several times during the day. That night the settler got out a stiff "root" and wandered off, finally reaching the country. When he was halfway through the burial ground he saw a man and woman sitting on the foot of a gravestone, and immediately ran, yelling loudly. When he was overtaken and beset with inquiries as to cause of flight, he told what the Indian had said of the country and the wonderful reproducing soil, adding "I went to the graveyard and saw where one had been planted, and two had come up and were almost mature." But, pardon digression, let us trust that Kansas officials will be successful in killing that offender, the San Jose scale.

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VAGRANT VERSE.

MAUD IN NEW ROLE
 (Bill Jones, himself.)

Maud Muller, on an Autumn night,
 Put on her hat, thought it looked a fright.
 She went up town to a picture show,
 And there it was she got a beau.
 Maud went home, as good girls should;
 The beau went, too, because he could.
 Maud's Pa was there with a big jack dig;
 And the beau got away in a neighbor's gig.

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JOKELETS.

One day an Irishman was asked to come to work an hour earlier than usual. This he promised to do. Next morning he was an hour late. "Sure as I should have been no good if I'd come, as I was fast asleep,"—Tillika.

"We are to have a joint debate between a phonograph and a gramophone." How are you to conduct it? "Going to turn 'em both loose and let 'em run down each other's dog."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

"I thought," said the American who was seeing Europe for the first time, "that you people had a lot of interesting old ruins over here." Once we had such things," the native apologized, "but your forefathers have come over and put most of them in good repair."—Pittsburg Observer.

Professor (at chemistry examination)—Under what combination is gold relieved most quickly? Student—Marriage.—Pittsburg Blatter.

For Ladies.
 Yates Center, Kas., Sept. 18, 1908.—After my doctors gave me up to die, Halls Texas Wonder cured me of Kidney and Bladder trouble. It is the best medicine on earth. Mrs. H. S. Johnson. Sold by all druggists.

Harvard Men, Attention.
 Now that one of the two "Bills" has been chosen president, let us turn our attention to another important matter—the second annual dinner of the Oklahoma Harvard club. Last year twelve men assembled on Thanksgiving day in Oklahoma City, and had a good time, including a number of bright speeches. This year we should have two dozen instead of one. Plan now to go, and to clinch the matter, send me \$2.35 at once, \$2 for the dinner and a quarter for incidentals. Exact time and place will be announced later. Do it now. J. F. Paxton, President Oklahoma Harvard Club.

FLYERS.

The star pupil arose at the school entertainment to declaim a piece. "Lend me your ears," he bawled. "Hail!" snored the mother of the opposition but defeated, pupil. "That's Sarah Bages' boy. He wouldn't be his mother's son if he didn't want to borrow something."—Baltimore American.

"Is he prosperous?" "Prosperous?" Why, he's making more money than a busted trust."—Exchange.

Patient—Do you think raw oysters are healthy? Physician—I never knew any to complain.—Judge.

"What's the Chattanooga snail?" "I think it's a gloriously slimy. One that won't disarrange or break the eye-glasses."—Detroit Free Press.

Young Fitzmoore (with a yawn).—Yacas, really it costs me five thousand a year just to live, don't you know. Farmer (hardpan)—Don't you pay it. Tain't worth it.—Judge.

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FREAK PAINTINGS OF MERIT.

How Some Capable Artists Have Indulged Quiver Whims.

Specially prepared canvases and gilded frames are not essential to the making of great paintings. This has been demonstrated by the artists who have painted masterpieces on screens of board, shells, grains of corn and the walls of rooms and prison cells. Some of the most valued art objects belong to the "freak" class.

The smallest painting in the world of distinctive merit was executed on the smooth side of a grain of corn by a Flemish artist. On this limited surface the artist painted in perfect detail a mill, a miller and a sack of grain on his back, a horse and cart and a group of several peasants standing in a road.

The largest picture ever painted is said to be a panorama of the Mississippi river, executed by John Banvard, an artist who died in Waterbury, N. H., in 1891. The gigantic canvas was twenty-two feet high and nearly two miles long. It gave a detailed representation of 2,000 miles of the Father of Waters.

The largest of the old masters' canvases is Murillo's "Appearance of the Christ Child to Saint Anthony of Padua." The picture is ten feet wide and eighteen feet high.

It is related that a friend called on Salvador Rosa in Florence one day and found him playing on an old harpsichord. The caller asked the artist why he kept such a worthless instrument.

"Why, it is not worth a schudo," the friend said.

"I will wager," replied Rosa, "that I could be worth a thousand before you see it again."

A fat was made. Rosa immediately painted a landscape on the lid that not only sold for 1,000 scudi, but was accounted a work of great merit.

The celebrated St. John's Wood clique of artists in London executed a series of large frescoes in oil on the walls of the studio of J. E. Hodgson, one of the members. The paintings were begun in the winter of 1864-65. Shakespearian subjects were chosen and the figures were a little under life size.

When Hodgson moved from his studio an unappreciative tenant covered the walls of the room with brown wallpaper, completely hiding the paintings. The frescoes were rediscovered by accident forty years afterward and restored.

Kansas Jokelets.
 "I suppose you don't know what Senator Brumley thinks about these reform measures," said a Midway reporter to a preacher. "No more than you do," was the response. "I only know what Brumley says," he thoughtfully added.

Says Sage Sam Lee: Affinities are caused by the meeting of a fool and a piker; both too onery to see how hum they really are.

Swamp Campbell: The report that Bill Cross negotiated the delicate task of ascertaining how much Queen Margaret would like Steve Blkins for before selling Mr. A. Brulsey, is erroneous.

Heart Strength
 Heart strength, or Heart Weakness, means Nerve Strength, or Nerve Weakness—nothing more. Fortively, not one weak heart in a hundred is, in itself, actually diseased. It is almost always a hidden little nerve that really is all at fault. This obscure nerve—the Cardiac or Heart Nerve—simply needs, and must have, more power, more stability, more controlling, more governing strength. Without that the Heart must continue to fail, and the stomach and kidneys also have these same controlling nerves.

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SOUTHWESTERN NORMAL NOTES.

The Forty-Sixth Star Concert company of Oklahoma City, consisting of Miss Helen Renstrom, soprano soloist; Master Joe Wynne, pianist; and Miss McClintic, reader, gave an entertainment in the chapel Thursday evening under the auspices of the music department. The entertainment was well received and netted both performers and the department a neat sum.

The Miness Jones and Myers have returned from Wichita, where they represented the local society at a Y. W. C. A. convention.

Mr. Dowling spoke to the chapel attendance on "Hobbies, desirable and undesirable."

Mr. House discussed certain contemporary light verifiers at the Thursday morning chapel exercises.

Miss Davis addressed the monthly faculty meeting Thursday afternoon. She presented the methods and ideal of the Domestic Science department.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallingford of El Reno have been visiting Mrs. Wallingford's sister, Mrs. Blake.

Some time during the month of January the Modern Language department will present the two German plays "Eisenstein" and "Moller als Kenderbusch" in the original German language. An annual play in each language has come to be a permanent institution at the Southwestern.

The subject for Sunday's Y. W. C. A. meeting is the life of Moses. The leaders are Miss Hattie White and Miss Harding. A special music program will be rendered.

Mr. Brumer has prepared a vocal solo which is to be entitled "Elements of Musical Theory." The book is to be published by F. B. Little & Co. Druggists.

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A party from the Normal visited the Colony Indian school last Saturday.

Letters from Walter Campbell, the Southwestern's Rhodes scholar at Oxford, report a pleasant location and good prospects for profitable study. Mr. Campbell is in Merion college.

Mr. C. T. Jones has been elected president of the Normal senate. The club is to debate the tariff question at their meeting on the 14th.

This is the week of prayer for Y. M. C. A. and daily prayer-meetings are being held at 7:45 a. m.</